

Practice: 394 - Firebreak**Scenario: #1 - Constructed - Light Equipment****Scenario Description:**

Installation of a bare-ground firebreak of a minimum width of 15' around a 20 acre field/farm using farm equipment (2 passes). Due to limited obstructions and topography, field/farm equipment is sufficient. Generally water control devices such as water bars are not needed due either to the lack of steep terrain or the temporary nature of the firebreak. Resource concerns include Wildfire hazard from excessive biomass accumulation, Undesirable plant productivity and health, Inadequate plant structure and composition, and Habitat degradation.

Associated Practice: Prescribed Burning (338)

Before Situation:

Tract, field, or farm lacks adequate firebreaks to either reduce the spread of wildfires or contain a prescribed burn. Installation will be accomplished by making two passes with the use of typical farm equipment such as tractors, plows, disks, or similar implements.

After Situation:

The property is adequately protected from wildfire or can be safely prescribe burned.

Scenario Feature Measure: Length of firebreak

Scenario Unit: Feet

Scenario Typical Size: 4,000

Scenario Cost: \$189.26

Scenario Cost/Unit: \$0.05

Cost Details (by category):

| Component Name | ID | Component Description | Unit | Price (\$/unit) | Quantity | Cost |
|-------------------------------|-----|--|------|-----------------|----------|---------|
| Equipment/Installation | | | | | | |
| Tillage, Primary | 946 | Includes heavy disking (offset) or chisel plow. Includes equipment, power unit and labor costs. | Acre | \$15.37 | 2.75 | \$42.27 |
| Truck, Pickup | 939 | Equipment and power unit costs. Labor not included. | Hour | \$36.36 | 2 | \$72.72 |
| Tillage, Light | 945 | Includes light disking (tandem) or field cultivator. Includes equipment, power unit and labor costs. | Acre | \$10.31 | 2.75 | \$28.35 |
| Labor | | | | | | |
| General Labor | 231 | Labor performed using basic tools such as power tool, shovels, and other tools that do not require extensive training. Ex. pipe layer, herder, concrete placement, materials spreader, flagger, etc. | Hour | \$22.96 | 2 | \$45.92 |

Practice: 394 - Firebreak**Scenario: #2 - Constructed - Medium equipment, flat-medium slopes****Scenario Description:**

Use of medium equipment such as small dozers to blade, disk, plow, etc. bare-soil firebreaks on slopes less than 15%. Generally, water control devices such as water bars are limited to 10 or less per 1,000 feet when properly planned and installed using the same equipment. Resource concerns include Wildfire hazards from excessive biomass accumulation, Undesirable plant productivity and health, Inadequate plant structure and composition, and Habitat degradation.

Associated Practice: Prescribed Burning (338)

Before Situation:

Tract, field, or farm lacks adequate firebreaks to either reduce the spread of wildfires or contain a prescribed burn. Conditions such as topography, the presence of brush and trees, etc. make the use of typical farm equipment impractical.

After Situation:

The property is adequately protected from wildfire or can be safely prescribe burned and the potential for excessive erosion from the firebreak is negligible.

Scenario Feature Measure: Length of firebreak

Scenario Unit: Feet

Scenario Typical Size: 3,000

Scenario Cost: \$1,146.80

Scenario Cost/Unit: \$0.38

Cost Details (by category):

| Component Name | ID | Component Description | Unit | Price (\$/unit) | Quantity | Cost |
|--------------------------------|------|--|------|-----------------|----------|----------|
| Equipment/Installation | | | | | | |
| Dozer, 80 HP | 929 | Track mounted Dozer with horsepower range of 60 to 90. Equipment and power unit costs. Labor not included. | Hour | \$65.73 | 4 | \$262.92 |
| Water Bars | 1500 | Installation of graded trail water controlling structures such as water bars, broad based dips for erosion control. Typical cross section is 1.5 feet high with 4:1 side slopes yielding about 0.33 CY/ft of length. | Foot | \$3.18 | 150 | \$477.00 |
| Labor | | | | | | |
| Equipment Operators, Heavy | 233 | Includes: Cranes, Hydraulic Excavators >=50 HP, Dozers, Paving Machines, Rock Trenchers, Trenchers >=12", Dump Trucks, Ag Equipment >=150 HP, Scrapers, Water Wagons. | Hour | \$38.68 | 4 | \$154.72 |
| Mobilization | | | | | | |
| Mobilization, medium equipment | 1139 | Equipment with 70-150 HP or typical weights between 14,000 and 30,000 pounds. | Each | \$252.16 | 1 | \$252.16 |

Practice: 394 - Firebreak**Scenario: #3 - Constructed - Medium equipment, steep slopes****Scenario Description:**

Use of equipment such as small dozers to blade bare-soil firebreaks on slopes greater than 15%. Water control devices such as water bars placed at approximately 15 to 25 per 1,000 ft section of firebreak, are necessary to control erosion. These will be installed with the same equipment. Resource concerns include Wildfire hazard from excessive biomass accumulation, Undesirable plant productivity and health, Inadequate plant structure and composition, Habitat degradation, Soil erosion, and Excessive sediment in surface waters.

Associated Practice: Prescribed Burning (338)

Before Situation:

Tract, field, or farm lacks adequate firebreaks to either reduce the spread of wildfires or contain a prescribed burn. Conditions such as topography, the presence of brush and trees, etc. make the use of typical farm equipment impractical. As slopes increase, the potential for excessive erosion increases from soil disturbances. Therefore the installation of water control devices such as water bars will be important in protecting the resource base.

After Situation:

The property is adequately protected from wildfire or can be safely prescribe burned and the potential for excessive erosion from the firebreak is minimized.

Scenario Feature Measure: Length of firebreak

Scenario Unit: Feet

Scenario Typical Size: 1,000

Scenario Cost: \$2,021.30

Scenario Cost/Unit: \$2.02

Cost Details (by category):

| Component Name | ID | Component Description | Unit | Price (\$/unit) | Quantity | Cost |
|--------------------------------|------|--|------|-----------------|----------|------------|
| Equipment/Installation | | | | | | |
| Water Bars | 1500 | Installation of graded trail water controlling structures such as water bars, broad based dips for erosion control. Typical cross section is 1.5 feet high with 4:1 side slopes yielding about 0.33 CY/ft of length. | Foot | \$3.18 | 425 | \$1,351.50 |
| Dozer, 80 HP | 929 | Track mounted Dozer with horsepower range of 60 to 90. Equipment and power unit costs. Labor not included. | Hour | \$65.73 | 4 | \$262.92 |
| Labor | | | | | | |
| Equipment Operators, Heavy | 233 | Includes: Cranes, Hydraulic Excavators >=50 HP, Dozers, Paving Machines, Rock Trenchers, Trenchers >=12", Dump Trucks, Ag Equipment >=150 HP, Scrapers, Water Wagons. | Hour | \$38.68 | 4 | \$154.72 |
| Mobilization | | | | | | |
| Mobilization, medium equipment | 1139 | Equipment with 70-150 HP or typical weights between 14,000 and 30,000 pounds. | Each | \$252.16 | 1 | \$252.16 |

Practice: 394 - Firebreak**Scenario: #4 - Vegetated permanent firebreak****Scenario Description:**

Establishing a 20 foot wide strip of permanent vegetation that will serve as a green firebreak. Scenario includes clearing the site, preparing the seedbed, seeding (typically cool season grasses and/or legumes), and applying needed soil amendments. Clearing will be achieved with the use of a bush hog or similar equipment. Seedbed preparation and vegetation establishment will be accomplished with farm equipment. Soil amendments will be applied according to local FOTG guidance. This scenario does not include follow-up maintenance operations such as weed control, mowing, etc. Resource concerns include Wildfire hazard from excessive biomass accumulation, Soil erosion, and Excessive sediment in surface waters.

Associated Practice: Prescribed Burning (338)

Before Situation:

Tract, field, or farm lacks adequate firebreaks to either reduce the spread of wildfires or contain a prescribed burn.

After Situation:

The property is adequately protected from wildfire or can be safely prescribe burned. Wildlife habitat will also be enhanced and the potential for erosion from the firebreak is minimized.

Scenario Feature Measure: Length of firebreak

Scenario Unit: Feet

Scenario Typical Size: 3,000

Scenario Cost: \$1,509.82

Scenario Cost/Unit: \$0.50

Cost Details (by category):

| Component Name | ID | Component Description | Unit | Price (\$/unit) | Quantity | Cost |
|--|------|--|-------|-----------------|----------|----------|
| Equipment/Installation | | | | | | |
| Lime application | 953 | Lime application performed by ground equipment. Includes equipment, power unit and labor costs. | Acre | \$9.40 | 1.37 | \$12.88 |
| Mower, Bush Hog | 940 | Equipment and power unit costs. Labor not included. | Hour | \$49.68 | 4 | \$198.72 |
| Tillage, Light | 945 | Includes light disking (tandem) or field cultivator. Includes equipment, power unit and labor costs. | Acre | \$10.31 | 2.75 | \$28.35 |
| Fertilizer, ground application, dry bulk | 950 | Dry bulk fertilizer application performed by ground equipment. Includes equipment, power unit and labor costs. | Acre | \$6.28 | 1.37 | \$8.60 |
| Truck, Pickup | 939 | Equipment and power unit costs. Labor not included. | Hour | \$36.36 | 8 | \$290.88 |
| Seeding Operation, No Till/Grass Drill | 960 | No Till drill or grass drill for seeding. Includes equipment, power unit and labor costs. | Acre | \$19.77 | 1.37 | \$27.08 |
| Tillage, Primary | 946 | Includes heavy disking (offset) or chisel plow. Includes equipment, power unit and labor costs. | Acre | \$15.37 | 5.5 | \$84.54 |
| Labor | | | | | | |
| General Labor | 231 | Labor performed using basic tools such as power tool, shovels, and other tools that do not require extensive training. Ex. pipe layer, herder, concrete placement, materials spreader, flagger, etc. | Hour | \$22.96 | 8 | \$183.68 |
| Materials | | | | | | |
| Phosphorus, P2O5 | 73 | Price per pound of P2O5 supplied by Superphosphate. Price is not per pound of total product applied, no conversion is needed. | Pound | \$0.39 | 96 | \$37.44 |
| Potassium, K2O | 74 | K2O supplied by Muriate Of Potash. Price is not per pound of total product applied, no conversion is needed. | Pound | \$0.28 | 96 | \$26.88 |
| One Species, Cool Season, Introduced Perennial Grass | 2313 | Introduced, cool season perennial grass. Includes material and shipping only. | Acre | \$30.44 | 1.37 | \$41.70 |
| Lime, ENM | 75 | Fertilizer: Limestone Spread on field. | Ton | \$119.94 | 2.75 | \$329.84 |

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| Mobilization, very small equipment | 1137 | Equipment that is small enough to be transported by a pick-up truck with typical weights less than 3,500 pounds. Can be multiple pieces of equipment if all hauled simultaneously. | Each | \$69.63 | 1 | \$69.63 |
| Mobilization, small equipment | 1138 | Equipment <70 HP but can't be transported by a pick-up truck or with typical weights between 3,500 to 14,000 pounds. | Each | \$169.60 | 1 | \$169.60 |

Practice: 394 - Firebreak**Scenario: #5 - Constructed - Wide, bladed or disked firebreak****Scenario Description:**

Installing a bare-ground firebreak with a width of 30' or more on gently to strongly sloping slopes with equipment such as a dozer with a heavy disk. Using smaller equipment, erosion control devices such as water bars will be installed at approximately 15 to 25 per 1,000 feet of firebreak length. Devices will have stable outlets. Resource concerns include Wildfire hazard from excessive biomass accumulation, Undesirable plant productivity and health, Inadequate plant structure and composition, Habitat degradation, Soil erosion, and Excessive sediment in surface waters.

Associated Practice: Prescribed Burning (338)

Before Situation:

Tract, field, or farm lacks adequate firebreaks to either reduce the spread of wildfires or contain a prescribed burn. Wide firebreaks are needed due to topography, high wildfire risk or to their use as down-wind breaks for prescribed burns. Conditions such as topography, the presence of brush and trees, etc. make the use of typical farm equipment impractical. As slopes increase, the potential for excessive erosion increases from soil disturbances. Therefore the installation of water control devices such as water bars will be important in protecting the resource base.

After Situation:

The property is adequately protected from wildfire or can be safely prescribe burned and the potential for excessive erosion from the firebreak is minimized.

Scenario Feature Measure: Length of firebreak

Scenario Unit: Feet

Scenario Typical Size: 1,000

Scenario Cost: \$4,203.75

Scenario Cost/Unit: \$4.20

Cost Details (by category):

| Component Name | ID | Component Description | Unit | Price (\$/unit) | Quantity | Cost |
|-------------------------------|------|--|------|-----------------|----------|------------|
| Equipment/Installation | | | | | | |
| Dozer, 80 HP | 929 | Track mounted Dozer with horsepower range of 60 to 90. Equipment and power unit costs. Labor not included. | Hour | \$65.73 | 8 | \$525.84 |
| Fire Plow | 1306 | Heavy wildland plow or disk used for installing firebreaks. Equipment costs only for plow, use with a dozer component. Labor not included. | Hour | \$46.01 | 4 | \$184.04 |
| Water Bars | 1500 | Installation of graded trail water controlling structures such as water bars, broad based dips for erosion control. Typical cross section is 1.5 feet high with 4:1 side slopes yielding about 0.33 CY/ft of length. | Foot | \$3.18 | 850 | \$2,703.00 |
| Labor | | | | | | |
| Equipment Operators, Heavy | 233 | Includes: Cranes, Hydraulic Excavators >=50 HP, Dozers, Paving Machines, Rock Trenchers, Trenchers >=12", Dump Trucks, Ag Equipment >=150 HP, Scrapers, Water Wagons. | Hour | \$38.68 | 8 | \$309.44 |
| Mobilization | | | | | | |
| Mobilization, large equipment | 1140 | Equipment >150HP or typical weights greater than 30,000 pounds or loads requiring over width or over length permits. | Each | \$481.43 | 1 | \$481.43 |